Senate Chamber, Tuesday, November 17, 1863 10 o'clock A.M.

Senate met, roll called, quorum present. The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

The Committee on Private Land Claims reported a substitute for a bill for the relief of Peter Norton, also a bill for relief of John Murchison founded on his memorial. Read 1st time.

The Judiciary Committee reported a bill to authorize the use of the jails of the several counties for the custody of deserters and recommended its passage. Also a bill to amend Article 392 of the Penal Code recommending that it do not pass. Also a bill for the relief of Henry K. Harrison founded on his memorial. Read 1st time.

The Committee on Internal Improvements reported a bill to incorporate the Sulphur Fork Iron Company recommending its passage.

The Committee on Public Lands recommended the passage of a bill for the relief of pre-emption settlers.

A joint resolution relative to the repeal of all property exemption and property detail laws was read 2nd time.

Mr. Guinn moved to strike out the 2nd Section, whereupon the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

> Senate Chamber, Wednesday, November 18, 1863 10 o'clock A. M.

Senate met, prayer by the Chaplain, roll called, quorum present. The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Jordan presented the petition of L. C. Ferguson for land. Referred to Committee on Private Land Claims.

The Finance Committee reported a substitute for a bill appropriating 500,000 dollars as a hospital fund—also recommended the passage of a joint resolution authorizing the Military Board to pay the Confederate tax levied on Messrs. Whitescarver, Campbell and Company.

The Military Committee reported a substitute for a bill for the enrollment and organization of state troops, and a bill requiring aliens to perform military duty, and a resolution on the subject of substitutes, recommending their passage.

The Committee on Private Land Claims recommended